



## The cue bid response to an overcall

### In response to an overcall by a suit,

The simple cue bid (no jump) of the opener's suit indicates at least 11HCP but doesn't guarantee a fit. It's an investigating cue bid

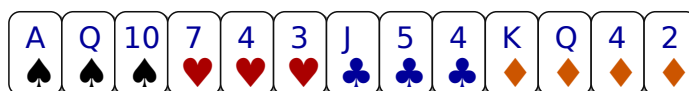
- which makes it possible to look for game at an economic level and to be able to stop if the overcall was minimum.
- This bid is forcing.

S	W	N	E
	1 ♦	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦			



Problem E5436 2 ♦ This is an investigating cue bid looking for the best game contract...if the overcall wasn't minimum.

S	W	N	E
	1 ♣	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♣			



Problem E4866 2 ♣ An investigating cue bid looking for a game contract. This is the only forcing bid in response to the overcall.



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**In response to an overcall by a suit, the jump cue bid of the opener's suit**

- indicates a 4-card fit
- and a minimum of 9-10HCP, stronger than a preempt support.

S	W	N	E
	1 ♦	1 ♥	Pass
4 ♦			

A ♠	10 ♠	7 ♠	A ♥	9 ♥	8 ♥	7 ♥	K ♣	J ♣	10 ♣	9 ♣	7 ♣	7 ♦
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Problem E4865

3 ♦ which shows a 4-card heart fit and also a hand stronger than that needed for a preempt 3 ♥.

S	W	N	E
	1 ♣	1 ♥	Pass
3 ♣			

A ♠	2 ♠	K ♥	10 ♥	7 ♥	6 ♥	Q ♣	8 ♣	6 ♣	K ♦	9 ♦	8 ♦	7 ♦
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Problem E5437 3 ♣ which shows a 4-card heart fit and that game is possible if the overcall wasn't minimum.



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### In response to an overcall with a takeout double,

the cue bid of the opener's minor shows:

- either 4 ♥ and 4 ♠ with more than 8HCP
- or a game-forcing hand.

J	10	9	4	A	K	9	5	A	8	3	8	5
♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦
S				W		N		E				
				1 ♦		X		Pass				
2 ♦												
A	Q	7	5	8	7	6	5	2	A	K	7	4
♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E4958

2 ♦ Cue bid to make sure of a game contract.